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ABSTRACT

Intended to help teachers of grades K-6 develop students' writing skills, this book contains easy-to-follow instructions for creating many fun types of correspondence, such as pop-up and scratch-and-sniff cards. The book is filled with lists of useful resources, including ways to find pen pals, an annotated bibliography of children's books that revolve around correspondence, and the steps in setting up a correspondence writing center. The activities in the book give children: experiences with different writing styles and practice with the steps of the writing process; opportunities to write in a meaningful way; chances to blend visual and verbal images through merging art and writing; and interesting ways to publish correspondence. (CR)